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- 13. (Secret JGO) Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and left with him a copy of the portion of the Agency's briefing statement on Laos which was given to the Senate Appropriations Committee's Intelligence Operations Subcommittee at our budget hearing last Friday.
- Mr. Preston told me the Committee will be meeting tomorrow and included in the agenda is discussion of continuing resolution and problems that have been encountered with the Department of Defense under the continuing resolution in prior years.
- Mr. Preston also request that he be provided a copy of the Director's budget presentation or outline notes two to three days in advance of the meeting so that he may better prepare the Chairman before the next meeting. He told me that although he has not made a similar request in the past, this is the normal procedure and that with the many problems facing the Chairman that are related to our budget, he feels it will be necessary this time for more advance preparation of the Chairman. I thanked him for the advance notice and told him I would relay the request.
- 14. (Internal Use Only JGO) Met with Mrs. Lois G. Myers, Employee Benefits Staff, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, who told me that she had reviewed some portions of the file with Mr. Barton and knows of no further material that he will need from us. She suggested that it would be well to cover the matter with him on his return tomorrow.
- 15. (Internal Use Only JGO) Met with Mr. Ralph J. Devlin, Staff Assistant, Subcommittee on Retirement, Insurance, and Health Benefits, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, who told me that the Committee hearings on the amendments to the <u>Civil Service Retirement Act</u> for law enforcement officers and others engaged in hazardous duty went well but the legislation does not appear to have much chance of passage at this time. 25X1A

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